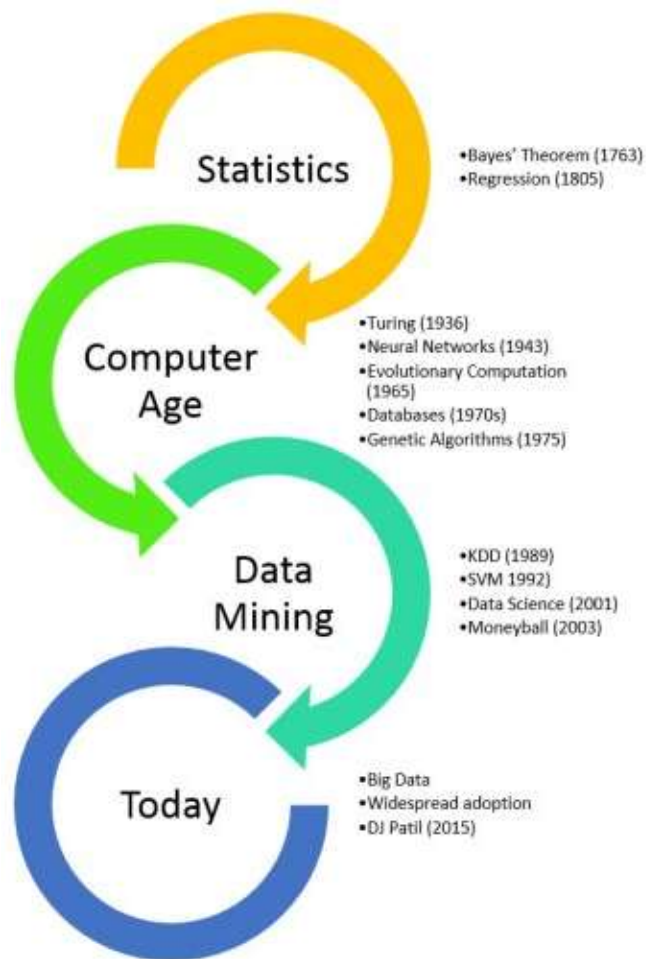


# Data Preprocessing in Data Mining

## Data Transformation

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Evolutionary Step	Business Question	Enabling Technologies	Product Providers	Characteristics
Data Collection (1960s)	"What was my total revenue in the last five years?"	Computers, tapes, disks	IBM, CDC	Retrospective, static data delivery
Data Access (1980s)	"What were unit sales in New England last March?"	Relational databases (RDBMS), Structured Query Language (SQL), ODBC	Oracle, Sybase, Informix, IBM, Microsoft	Retrospective, dynamic data delivery at record level
Data Warehousing & Decision Support (1990s)	"What were unit sales in New England last March? Drill down to Boston."	On-line analytic processing (OLAP), multidimensional databases, data warehouses	Pilot, Comshare, Arbor, Cognos, Microstrategy	Retrospective, dynamic data delivery at multiple levels
Data Mining (Emerging Today)	"What's likely to happen to Boston unit sales next month? Why?"	Advanced algorithms, multiprocessor computers, massive databases	Pilot, Lockheed, IBM, SGI, numerous startups (nascent industry)	Prospective, proactive information delivery

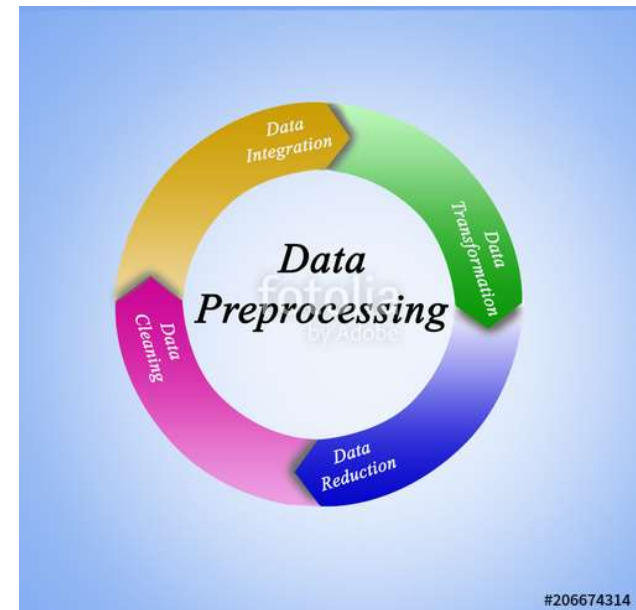
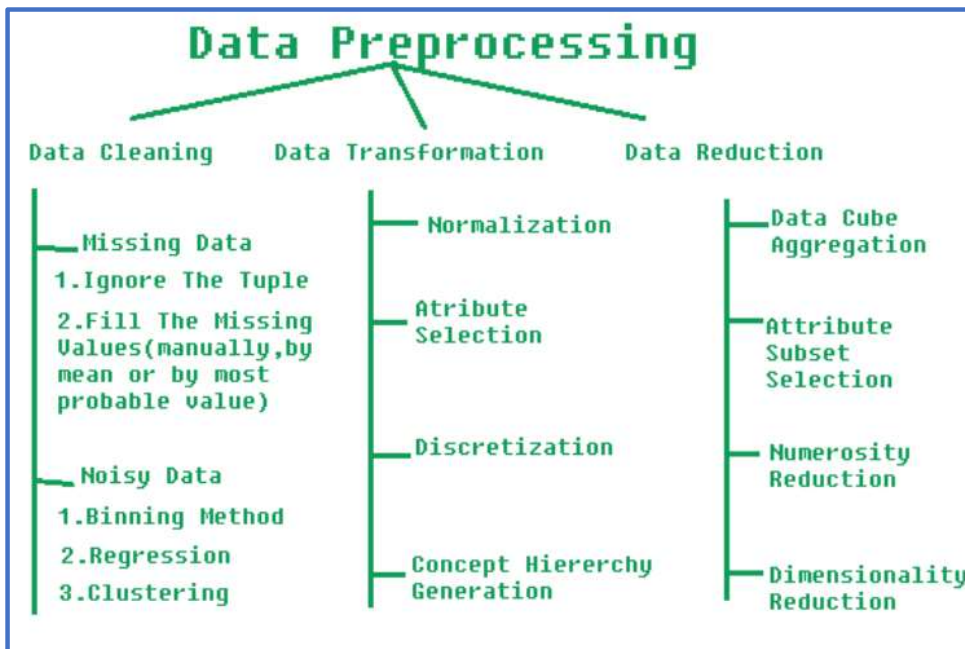
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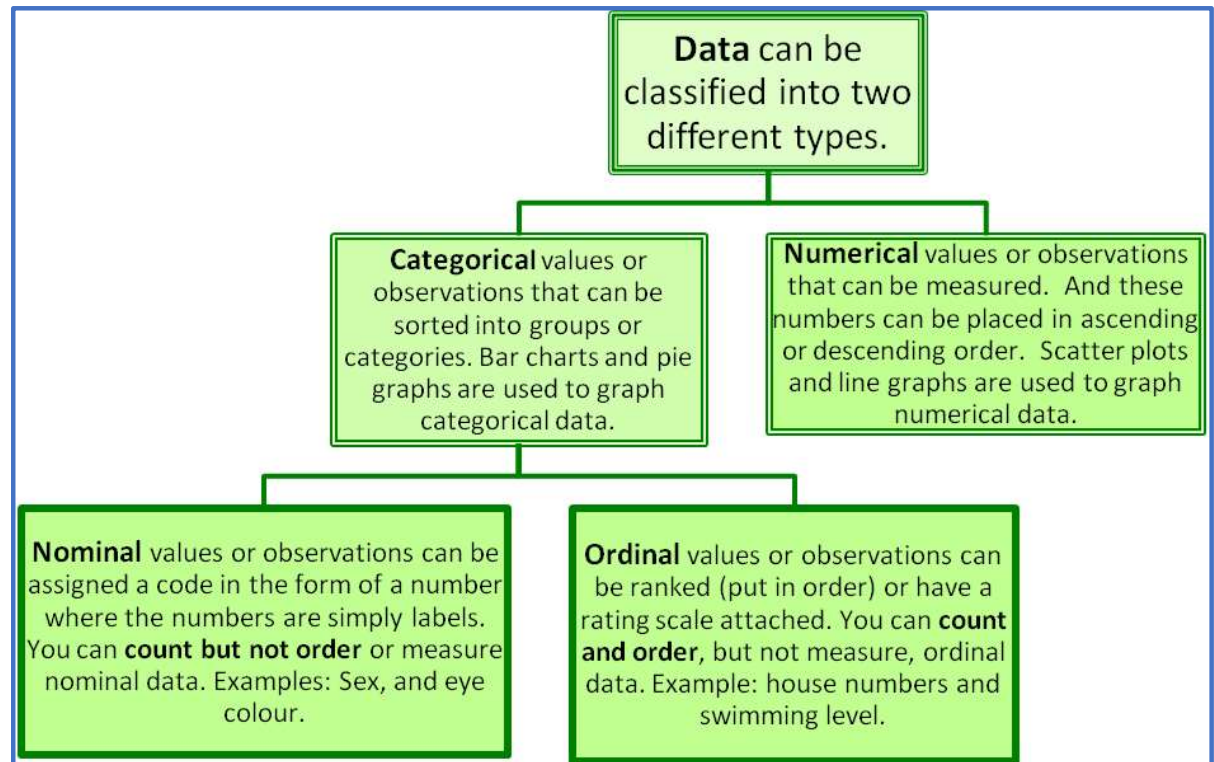
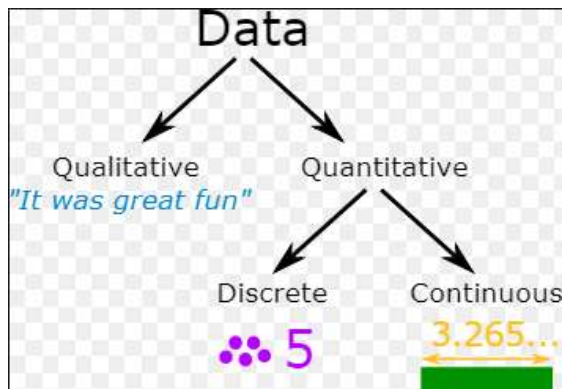
# Introduction

Data preprocessing is a data mining technique which is used to transform the raw data in a useful and efficient format.



# Data Types

- When working with statistics, it's important to recognize the different types of data: numerical (discrete and continuous), categorical, and ordinal.



- Values represent discrete units
- Changing the order of units does not change their value

Male Female  $\equiv$  Female Male

# Nominal

What is your gender?

- ☒ M – Male
- ☐ F – Female

What is your hair color?

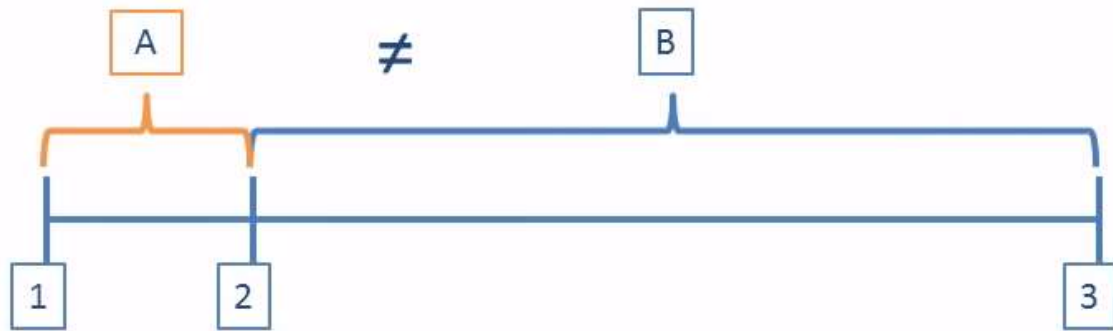
- ☒ 1 – Brown
- ☐ 2 – Black
- ☐ 3 – Blonde
- ☐ 4 – Gray
- ☐ 5 – Other

Where do you live?

- ☒ A – North of the equator
- ☐ B – South of the equator
- ☐ C – Neither: In the international space station

# Ordinal

- Values represent discrete and ordered units
- Distance between units is not the same



**How do you feel today?**

- ☒ 1 – Very Unhappy
- ☐ 2 – Unhappy
- ☐ 3 – OK
- ☐ 4 – Happy
- ☐ 5 – Very Happy

**How satisfied are you with our service?**

- ☒ 1 – Very Unsatisfied
- ☐ 2 – Somewhat Unsatisfied
- ☐ 3 – Neutral
- ☐ 4 – Somewhat Satisfied
- ☐ 5 – Very Satisfied



# Interval

- Ordered units with intermediate values
- Distance between units is the same
- No absolute zero
  - Origin is arbitrary
  - A person with an IQ score of 160 is NOT twice as smart as someone with an IQ score of 80



Confused? Ok, consider this:  $10\text{ degrees C} + 10\text{ degrees C} = 20\text{ degrees C}$ . No problem there.  $20\text{ degrees C}$  is not twice as hot as  $10\text{ degrees C}$ , however, because there is no such thing as “no temperature” when it comes to the Celsius scale. When converted to Fahrenheit, it’s clear:  $10\text{C}=50\text{F}$  and  $20\text{C}=68\text{F}$ , which is clearly not twice as hot. I hope that makes sense. Bottom line, interval scales are great, but we cannot calculate ratios, which brings us to our last measurement scale...

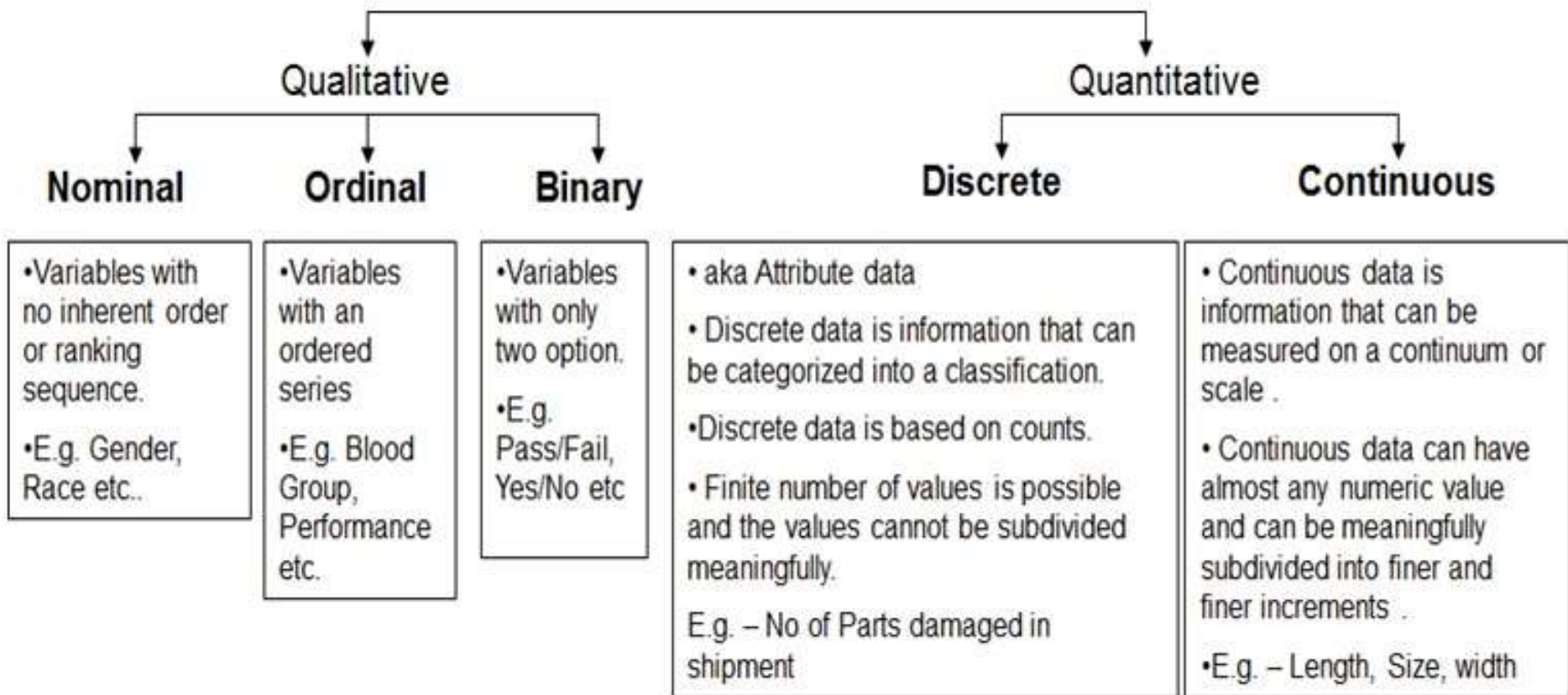


# Ratio

- Ordered units with intermediate values
- Distance between units is the same
- Absolute zero
  - Origin is at zero
  - A 12 inch long sandwich is twice the length of a 6 inch sandwich. (But, is it twice as delicious ? )



Ratio scales provide a wealth of possibilities when it comes to statistical analysis. These variables can be meaningfully added, subtracted, multiplied, divided (ratios). Central tendency can be measured by mode, median, or mean; measures of dispersion, such as standard deviation and coefficient of variation can also be calculated from ratio scales.



	Continuous	Discrete		
	Quantitative data	Qualitative / Categorical / Attribute data		
Measurement	Units (example)	Ordinal (example)	Nominal (example)	Binary (example)
Time of day	Hours, minutes, seconds	1, 2, 3, etc.	N/A	a.m./p.m.
Date	Month, date, year	Jan., Feb., Mar., etc.	N/A	Before / After
Cycle time	Hours, minutes, seconds, month, date, year	10, 20, 30, etc.	N/A	Before / After
Speed	Miles per hour/centimeters per second	10, 20, 30, etc.	N/A	Fast / Slow
Brightness	Lumens	Light, medium, dark	N/A	On / Off
Temperature	Degrees C or F	10, 20, 30, etc.	N/A	Hot / Cold
<Count data>	Number of things	10, 20, 30, etc.	N/A	Large / Small
Test scores	Percent, number correct	F, D, C, B, A	N/A	Pass / Fail
Defects	N/A	Number of cracks	N/A	Good / Bad
Defects	N/A	N/A	Oversized, missing	Good / Bad
Color	N/A	N/A	Red, blue, green	N/A
Location	N/A	N/A	East, West, South	Domestic / International
Groups	N/A	N/A	HR, Legal, IT	Exempt / Non-exempt
Anything	Percent	10, 20, 30, etc.	N/A	Above / Below

<b>Provides:</b>	<b>Nominal</b>	<b>Ordinal</b>	<b>Interval</b>	<b>Ratio</b>
The "order" of values is known		✓	✓	✓
"Counts," aka "Frequency of Distribution"	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mode	✓	✓	✓	✓
Median		✓	✓	✓
Mean			✓	✓
Can quantify the difference between each value			✓	✓
Can add or subtract values			✓	✓
Can multiple and divide values				✓
Has "true zero"				✓

# Dataset Example

PISA Data Example				
Nominal		Ordinal		Interval
Country	Gender	Grade	Books	Math Score
Costa Rica	Male	9	0-10	410.66
Costa Rica	Female	9	0-10	343.99
Costa Rica	Male	10	11-25	418.92
Japan	Female	10	101-200	371.17
Turkey	Male	9	26-100	433.02
United States	Female	9	11-25	406.54
United States	Male	10	0-10	413.78

**Why is data, that contains numbers, such as post codes and birthdates, considered categorical?**

*A quick and easy way to decide whether data is numerical or categorical is to ask yourself "Can I calculate an average of these numbers?. If you can calculate an average, the data is numerical, if you cannot, the data is categorical. Since an average postcode or average year level has no meaning, this data is categorical, even though the data is presented as numerals.*

# Digitalization and Feature Normalization

- Digitalization : Label Encoding, One Hot Encoding, Hash Encoding

Label Encoding

Food Name	Categorical #	Calories
Apple	1	95
Chicken	2	231
Broccoli	3	50



One Hot Encoding

Apple	Chicken	Broccoli	Calories
1	0	0	95
0	1	0	231
0	0	1	50



# Digitalization and Feature Normalization

- Digitalization : Label Encoding, One Hot Encoding, Hash Encoding

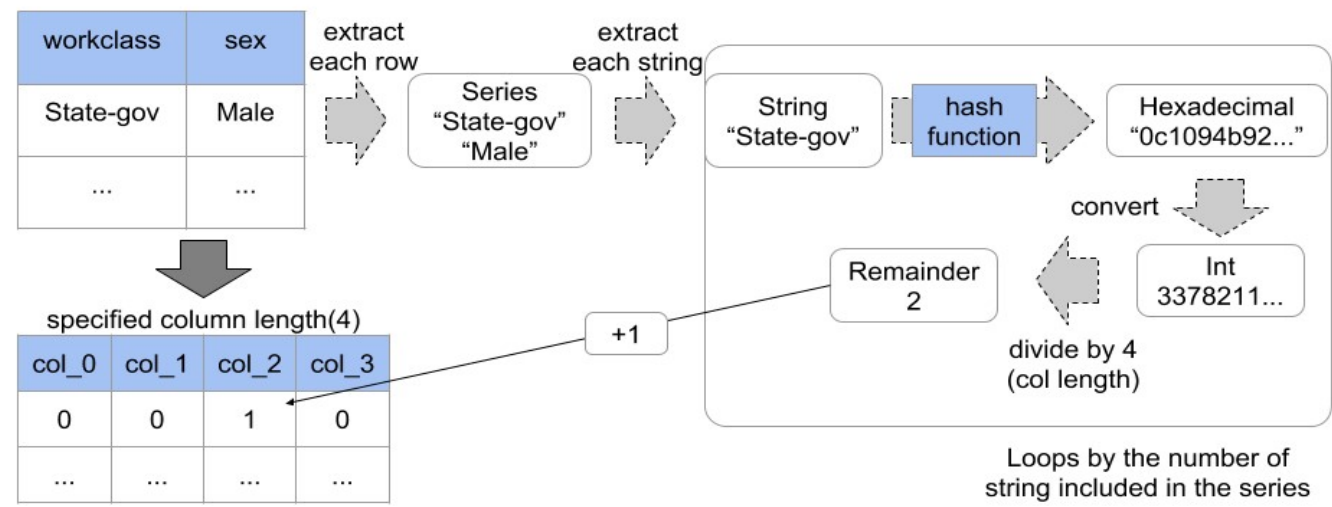
## Target Encoding

workclass	target		workclass	target mean		workclass
State-gov	0		State-gov	0		0
Self-emp-not-inc	1		Self-emp-not-inc	1		1
Private	0	→	Private	1/3	→	1/3
Private	0					1/3
Private	1					1/3

# Digitalization and Feature Normalization

- Digitalization : Label Encoding, One Hot Encoding, Hash Encoding

## Hash Encoding

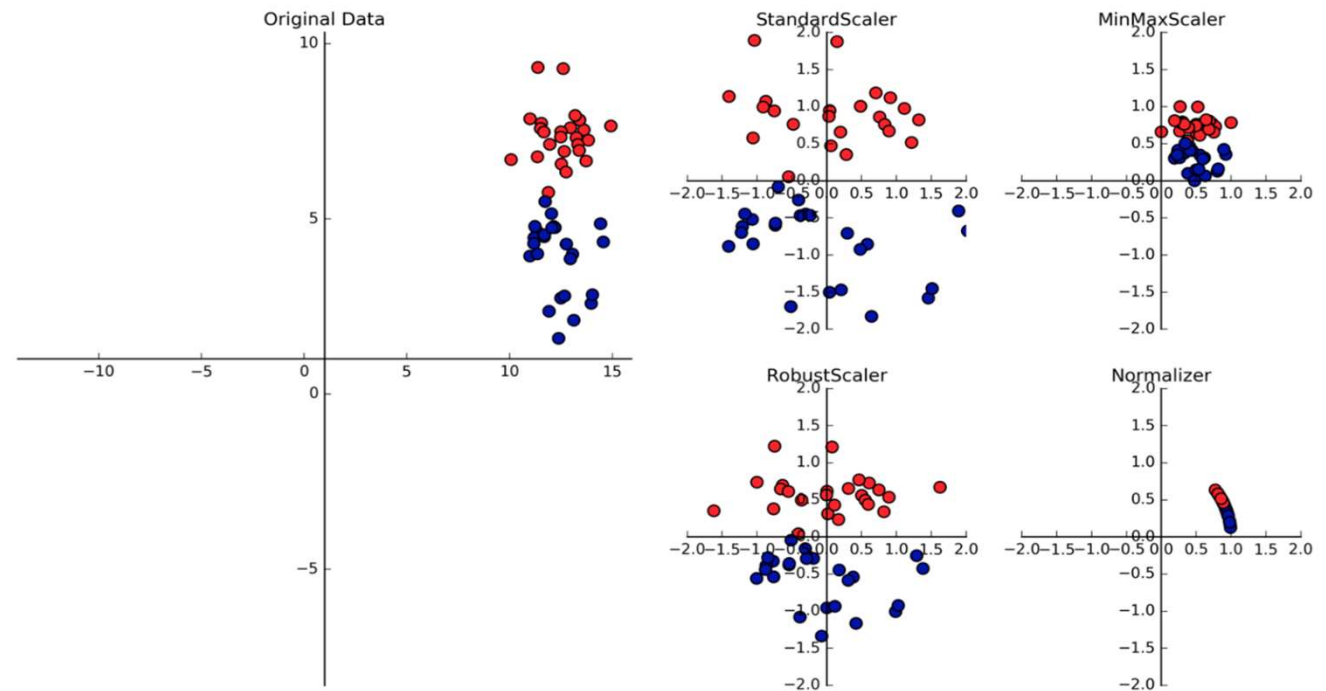


# Digitalization and Feature Normalization

- **Normalization** is another important concept needed to change all features to the same scale. This allows for faster convergence on learning, and more uniform influence for all weights
  - **Standard Scaler**: This changes the data to have means of 0 and standard error of 1.
  - **Min Max Scale** : Another way to normalize is to use the Min Max Scaler, which changes all features to be between 0 and 1,
  - **RobustScaler**: Works similarly to standard scaler except that it uses median and quartiles, instead of mean and variance. Good as it ignores data points that are outliers.

Standard Scaler	$\frac{x_i - \text{mean}(\mathbf{x})}{\text{stdev}(\mathbf{x})}$
MinMax Scaler	$\frac{x_i - \min(\mathbf{x})}{\max(\mathbf{x}) - \min(\mathbf{x})}$
Robust Scaler	$\frac{x_i - Q_1(\mathbf{x})}{Q_3(\mathbf{x}) - Q_1(\mathbf{x})}$

# Digitalization and Feature Normalization



# Why Normlization

- **Standardization improves the numerical stability of your model**

If we have a simple one-dimensional data  $X$  and use MSE as the loss function, the gradient update using gradient descend is:

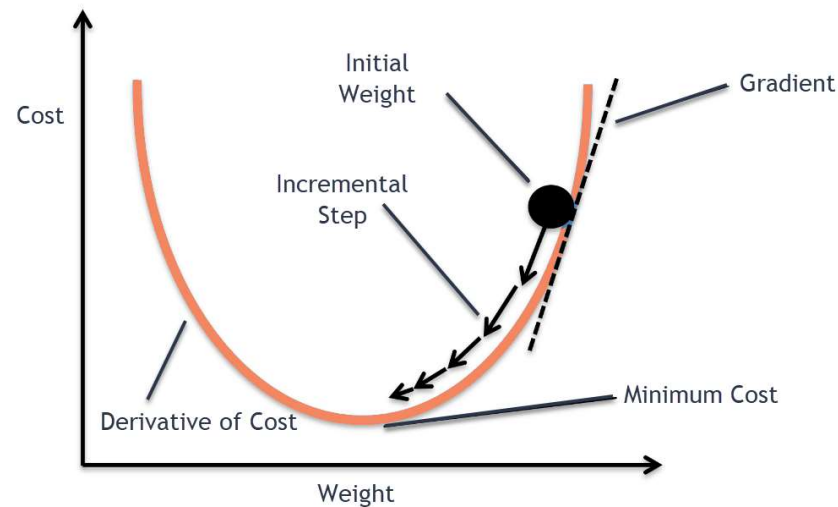
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial Y'} * \frac{\partial Y'}{\partial W} = \frac{2(Y - Y')^T}{N} * X$$

$Y'$  is the prediction

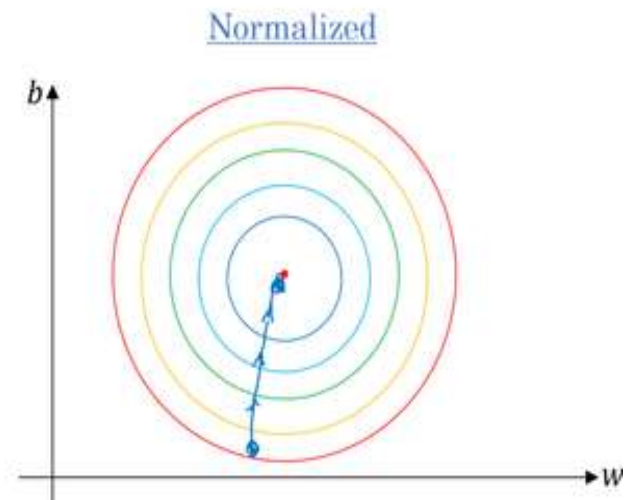
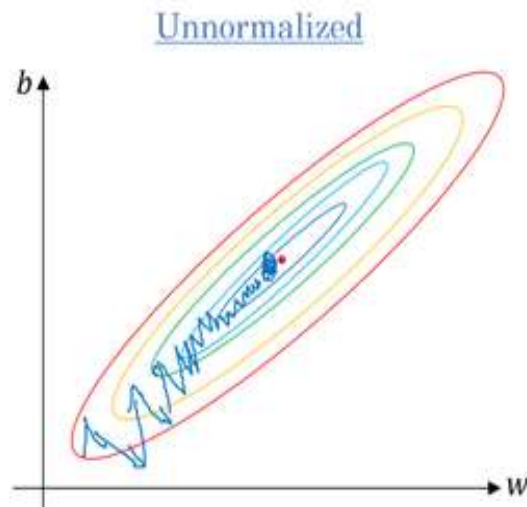
X is in the gradient descent formula, which means the value of X determines the update rate. Therefore, a larger X will lead to a greater leap in the gradient landscape. Meanwhile, a larger X leads to smaller W, given Y:

$$W = (Y - B) * X^{-1}$$

When X is large, the distance between the initial W (which is randomly picked) and the global minimum is very likely to be small. Therefore, the algorithm is more likely to fail when X is larger (learning rate is fixed) because the algorithm makes giant leaps toward the very close target W while baby steps are needed. This overshooting will make your loss oscillate or explode.



Feature scaling speeds up gradient descent by making the geometry of the cost function more hospitable (i.e. more circular). Without feature scaling the contour plots may not appear to be thin. In such a plot the gradient descent algorithm would oscillate a lot back and forth, taking a long time before finding its way to the minimum point.





# Digitalization and Feature Normalization

- In simple words, when multiple attributes are there but attributes have values on different scales, this may lead to poor data models while performing data mining operations. So they are normalized to bring all the attributes on the same scale.

person_name	Salary	Year_of_experience	Expected Position Level
Aman	100000	10	2
Abhinav	78000	7	4
Ashutosh	32000	5	8
Dishi	55000	6	7
Abhishek	92000	8	3
Avantika	120000	15	1
Ayushi	65750	7	5

The attributes salary and year\_of\_experience are on different scale and hence attribute salary can take high priority over attribute year\_of\_experience in the model.

# Decimal Scaling Method For Normalization

- It normalizes by moving the decimal point of values of the data. To normalize the data by this technique, we divide each value of the data by the maximum absolute value of data. The data value,  $v_i$ , of data is normalized to  $v_i'$  by using the formula below –

$$v_i' = \frac{v_i}{10^j}$$

where  $j$  is the smallest integer such that  $\max(|v_i'|) < 1$ .

**Example –**

*Let the input data is: -10, 201, 301, -401, 501, 601, 701*

*To normalize the above data,*

**Step 1:** *Maximum absolute value in given data(m): 701*

**Step 2:** *Divide the given data by 1000 (i.e  $j=3$ )*

**Result:** *The normalized data is: -0.01, 0.201, 0.301, -0.401, 0.501, 0.601, 0.701*

# Data Reduction Strategies

## ❓ Need for data reduction

- ❓ A database/data warehouse may store terabytes of data
- ❓ Complex data analysis/mining may take a very long time to run on the complete data set

## ❓ Data reduction

- ❓ Obtain a reduced representation of the data set that is much smaller in volume but yet produce the same (or almost the same) analytical results

## ❓ Data reduction strategies

- ❓ Data cube aggregation
- ❓ Attribute Subset Selection
- ❓ Numerosity reduction — e.g., fit data into models
- ❓ Dimensionality reduction - Data Compression
- ❓ Discretization and concept hierarchy generation

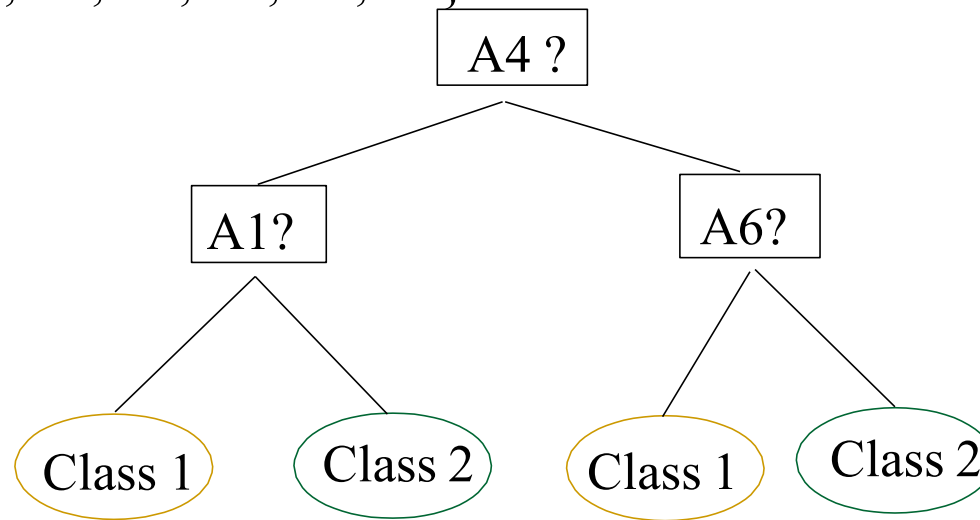
## 2. Attribute Subset Selection

- ❑ **Feature selection (i.e., attribute subset selection):**
  - ❑ **Select a minimum set of features** such that the probability distribution of different classes given the values for those features is **as close as possible to the original distribution** given the values of all features
  - ❑ reduce # of patterns - easier to understand
- ❑ **Heuristic methods (due to exponential # of choices):**
  - ❑ Step-wise forward selection
  - ❑ Step-wise backward elimination
  - ❑ Combining forward selection and backward elimination
  - ❑ Decision-tree induction

# Example of Decision Tree Induction

Initial attribute set:

$\{A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6\}$



-----> Reduced attribute set:  $\{A1, A4, A6\}$

# Heuristic Feature Selection Methods

- There are  $2^d$  possible sub-features of  $d$  features
- Several heuristic feature selection methods:
  - **Best single features** under the feature independence assumption:  
choose by significance tests
  - **Best step-wise feature selection**
    - The best single-feature is picked first
    - Then next best feature condition to the first, ...
  - **Step-wise feature elimination**
    - Repeatedly eliminate the worst feature
  - Best **combined feature selection and elimination**

### 3. Numerosity Reduction

- ❑ Reduce data volume by choosing alternative, smaller forms of data representation
- ❑ Parametric methods
  - ❑ Assume the data fits some model, estimate model parameters, store only the parameters, and discard the data (except possible outliers)
    - ❑ Example: Log-linear models, Regression
- ❑ Non-parametric methods
  - ❑ Do not assume models
    - ❑ Major families: histograms, clustering, sampling



# Regression and Log-Linear Models

## ❓ Regression

- ❓ Handles skewed data
- ❓ Computationally Intensive

## ❓ Log linear models

- ❓ Scalability
- ❓ Estimate the probability of each point in a multi-dimensional space based on a smaller subset
- ❓ Can construct higher dimensional spaces from lower dimensional ones

## ❓ Both

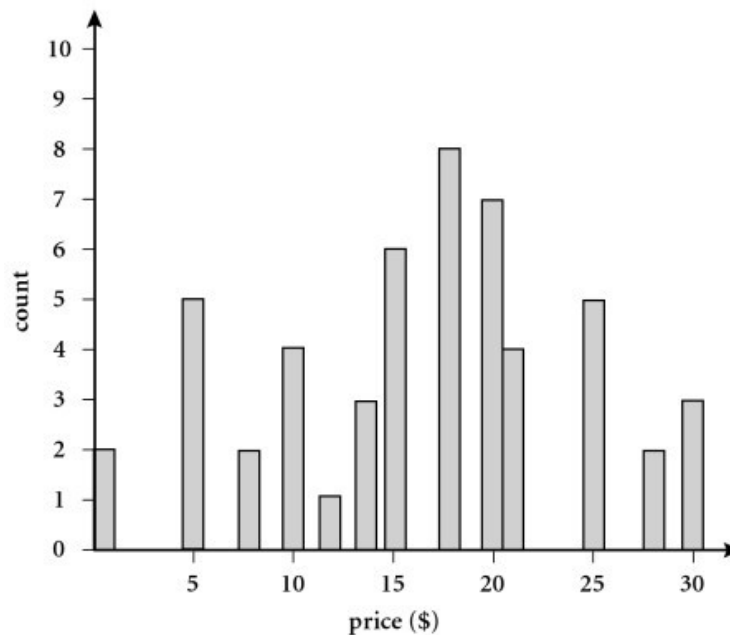
- ❓ Sparse data

# Histograms

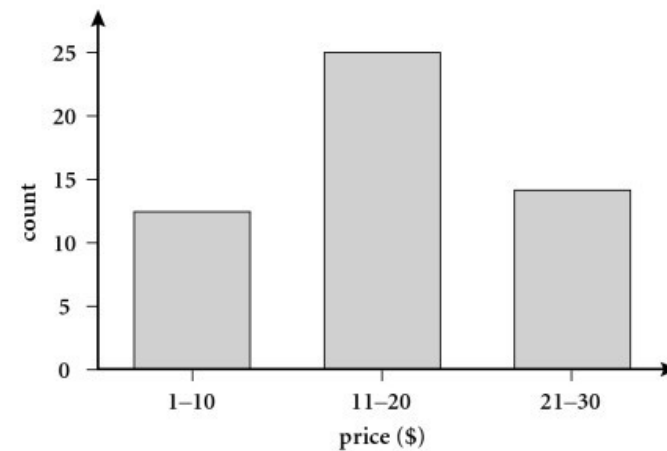
- Divide data into buckets and store average (sum) for each bucket
- Partitioning rules:
  - Equal-width: equal bucket range
  - Equal-frequency (or equal-depth)
  - V-optimal: with the least *histogram variance* (weighted sum of the original values that each bucket represents)
  - MaxDiff: Consider difference between pair of adjacent values. Set bucket boundary between each pair for pairs having the  $\beta$  (No. of buckets)–1 largest differences
- Multi-dimensional histogram

# Histograms

Histogram with Singleton buckets



Equal-width Histogram

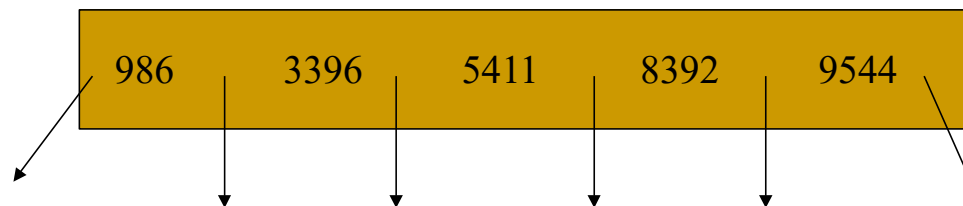


List of prices: 1, 1, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 8, 8, 10, 10, 10, 10, 12, 14, 14, 14, 15, 15, 15, 15, 15, 15, 18, 18, 18, 18, 18, 18, 18, 18, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 21, 21, 21, 21, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25, 28, 28, 30, 30,

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# Clustering

- Partition data set into clusters based on similarity, and store cluster representation (e.g., centroid and diameter) only
- Can be very effective if data is clustered but not if data is “smeared”
- Can have hierarchical clustering and be stored in multi-dimensional index tree structures
  - Index tree / B+ tree – Hierarchical Histogram



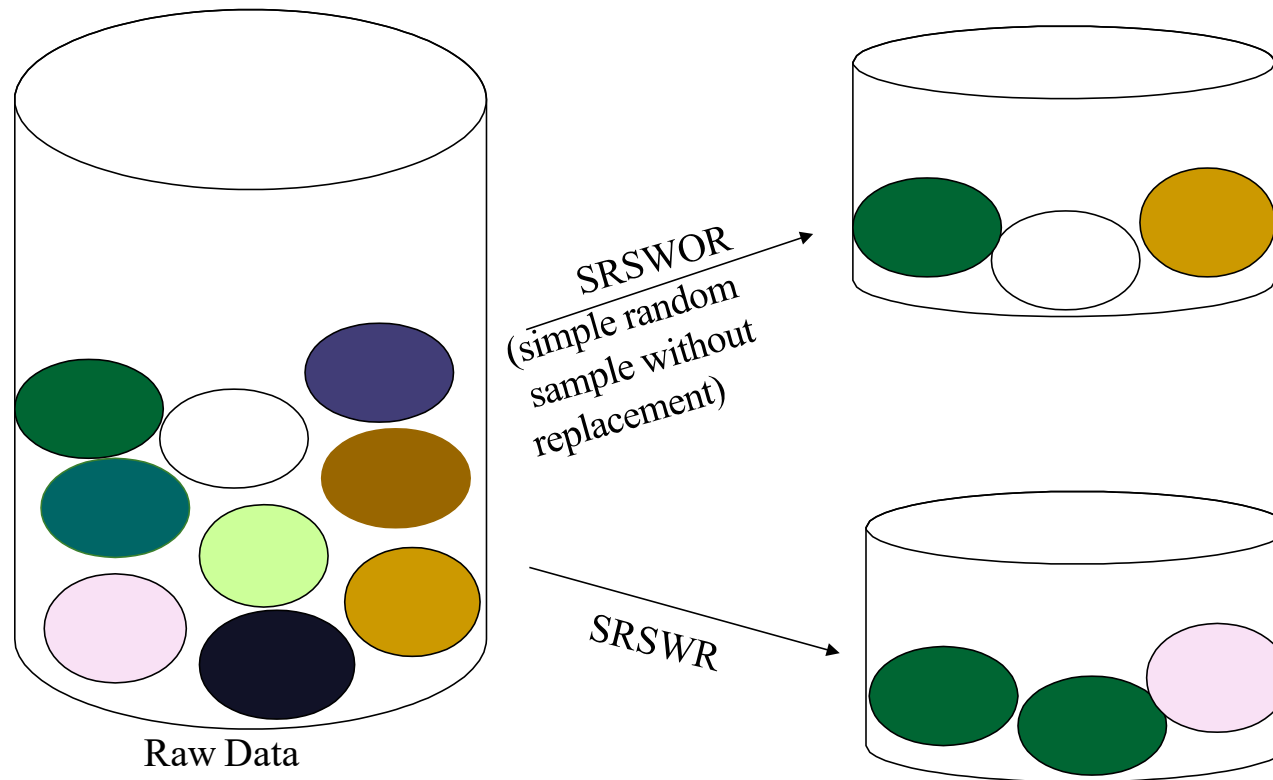
# Sampling

- ❑ **Sampling:** obtaining a small sample  $s$  to represent the whole data set  $N$
- ❑ Allow a mining algorithm to run in complexity that is potentially sub-linear to the size of the data
- ❑ Choose a **representative** subset of the data
  - ❑ Simple random sampling may have very poor performance in the presence of skew
- ❑ Develop adaptive sampling methods
  - ❑ Stratified sampling

# Sampling Techniques

- ❑ Simple Random Sample **Without Replacement** (SRSWOR)
- ❑ Simple Random Sample **With Replacement** (SRSWR)
- ❑ Cluster Sample
- ❑ Stratified Sample

# Sampling: with or without Replacement





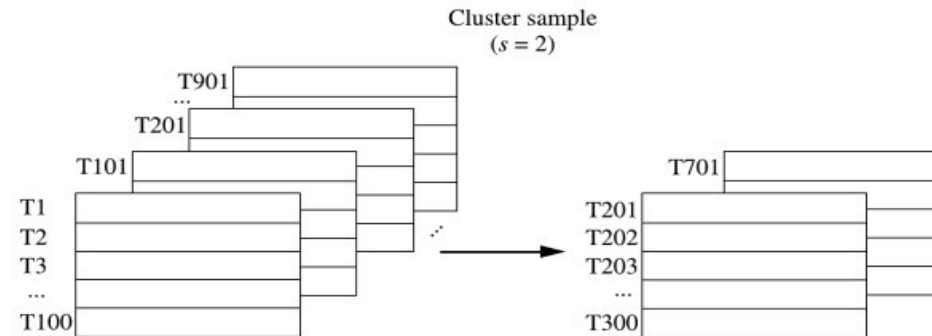
# Cluster Sample

- Tuples are grouped into **M mutually disjoint clusters**
- **SRS of m clusters** is taken where  $m < M$
- Tuples in a database retrieved in pages
  - **Page - Cluster**
  - SRSWOR to pages

# Stratified Sample

- ❑ Data is divided into mutually disjoint parts called **strata**
- ❑ SRS at each stratum
- ❑ **Representative samples ensured** even in the presence of skewed data

# Cluster and Stratified Sampling



Stratified sample  
(according to *age*)

T38	youth
T256	youth
T307	youth
T391	youth
T96	middle_aged
T117	middle_aged
T138	middle_aged
T263	middle_aged
T290	middle_aged
T308	middle_aged
T326	middle_aged
T387	middle_aged
T69	senior
T284	senior

T38	youth
T391	youth
T117	middle_aged
T138	middle_aged
T290	middle_aged
T326	middle_aged
T69	senior

# Features

- ❑ Cost depends on size of sample
- ❑ Sub-linear on size of data
- ❑ Linear with respect to dimensions
- ❑ Estimates answer to an aggregate query

# Data Compression

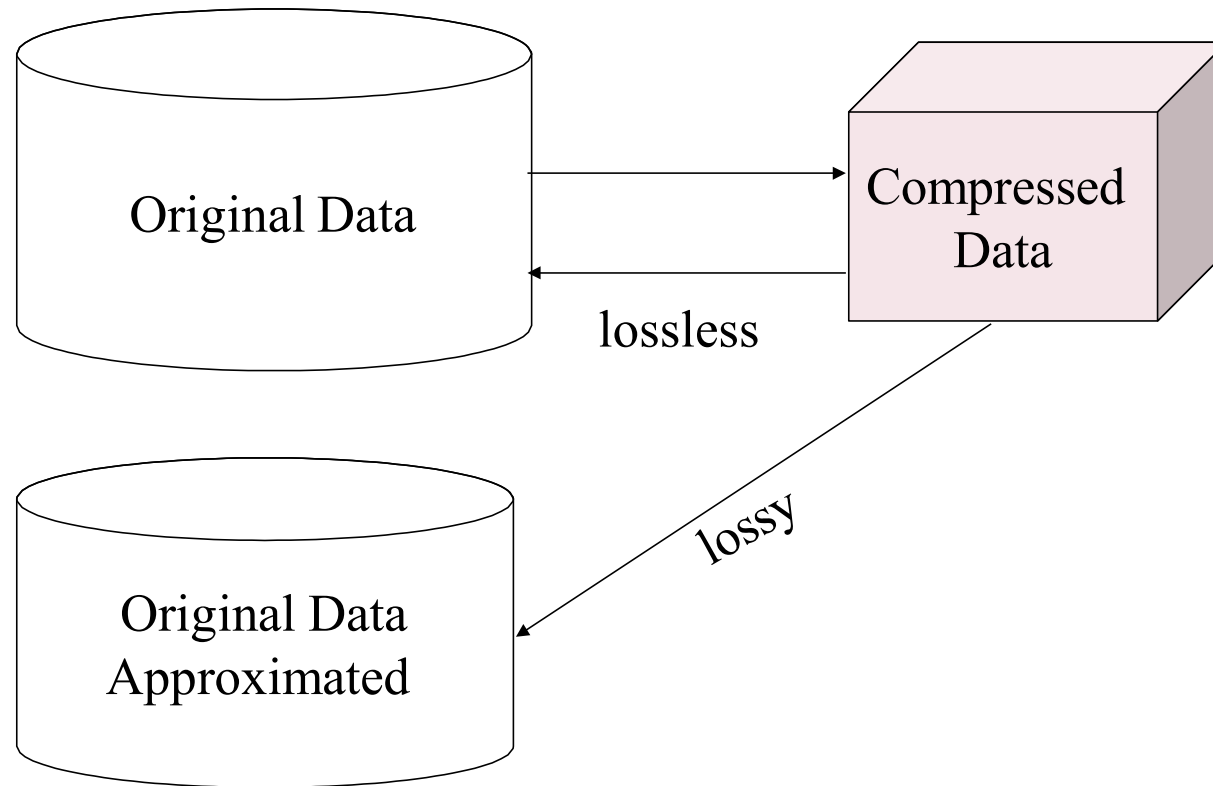
## ❓ String compression

- ❓ There are extensive theories and well-tuned algorithms
- ❓ Typically **lossless**
- ❓ But only limited manipulation is possible

## ❓ Audio/video compression

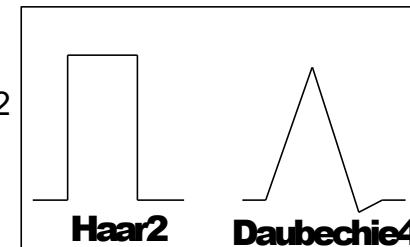
- ❓ Typically **lossy compression**, with progressive refinement
- ❓ Sometimes small fragments of signal can be reconstructed without reconstructing the whole

# Data Compression



# Dimensionality Reduction: Wavelet Transformation

- ❑ Discrete wavelet transform (DWT): linear signal processing
- ❑ Compressed approximation: store only a small fraction of the strongest of the wavelet coefficients
- ❑ Similar to discrete Fourier transform (DFT), but better lossy compression, localized in space
- ❑ Method:
  - ❑ Length,  $L$ , must be an integer power of 2 (padding with 0's, when necessary)
  - ❑ Each transform has 2 functions: smoothing, difference
  - ❑ Applies to pairs of data, resulting in two set of data of length  $L/2$
  - ❑ Applies two functions recursively



# Discrete Wavelet Transform

- ❑ Can also apply Matrix Multiplication
- ❑ Fast DWT algorithm
- ❑ Can be applied to Multi-Dimensional data such as Data Cubes
- ❑ Wavelet transforms work well on sparse or skewed data
- ❑ Used in Computer Vision, Compression of finger print images



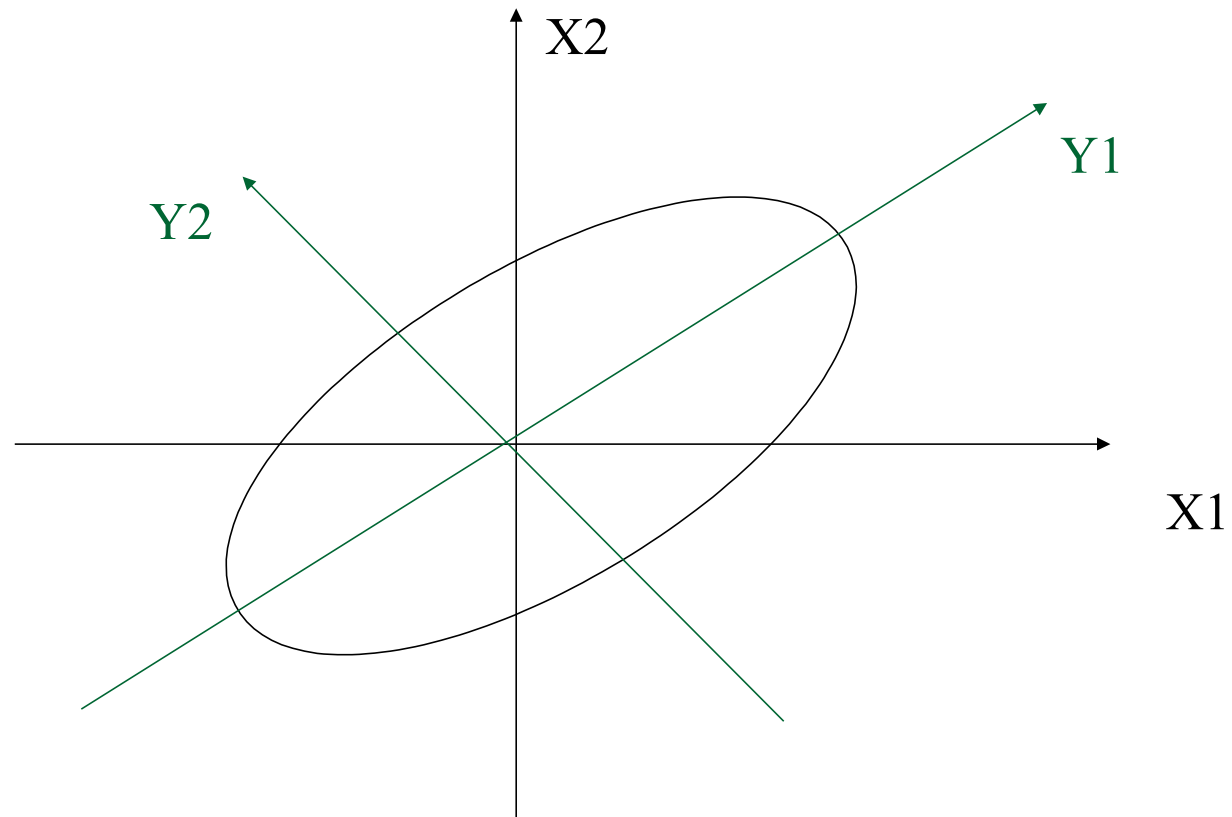
# Dimensionality Reduction: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Given  $N$  data vectors from  $k$ -dimensions, find  $c \leq k$  orthogonal vectors (*Principal components*) that can be best used to represent data

Steps

- Normalize input data: Each attribute falls within the same range
- Compute  $c$  orthonormal (unit) vectors, i.e., *principal components*
- Each input data (vector) is a linear combination of the  $c$  principal component vectors
  - The principal components are sorted in order of decreasing “significance” or strength
  - Since the components are sorted, the size of the data can be reduced by eliminating the weak components, i.e., those with low variance. (i.e., using the strongest principal components, it is possible to reconstruct a good approximation of the original data)

# Principal Component Analysis





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